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May 7, 2021

## **BY ECF**

Honorable Vernon S. Broderick United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Rafael Valdovinos, 19 Cr. 671 (VSB)

Dear Judge Broderick:

The parties respectfully write to request a two-week adjournment of the status conference currently scheduled for May 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The Government has extended a plea agreement, and counsel for the defendant would like additional time to review the plea agreement with the defendant. The Government respectfully requests that time be prospectively excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), between May 10, 2021 and the date of the next conference. The defendant, through his attorney Jeffrey Chartier, Esq., has no objection to the exclusion of time.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Jeffrey Chartier, Esq. (by ECF)

APPLICATION GRANTED SO ORDERED Alexander VERNON S. BRODERICK U.S.D.J. 5/9/2021

The status conference scheduled for May 10, 2021 is hereby adjourned to May 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The adjournment is necessary to permit counsel sufficient time to review the plea agreement with the defendant. The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. Accordingly, it is further ordered that the time between May 10, 2021 and May 24, 2021 is hereby excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. 3161(h)(7)(A), in the interest of justice.